

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-18 without prejudice or disclaimer so that the claims read as follows:

1. (Original): An information recording apparatus for recording information to be recorded in an information recording medium and generating reproduction controlling information for controlling a reproduction manner upon reproducing the recording information after recording at the time of recording of the recording information to record it in the information recording medium as well as the recording information, the information recording apparatus comprising:

a designating device for designating division timing in the recording information in case of dividing continuous recording information to record it in the information recording medium;

a recording device for recording former part recording information which is the recording information before the designated division timing, and latter part recording information which is the recording information after the designated division timing, in the information recording medium; and

a generating and recording device for repeating generating former reproduction controlling information which is the reproduction controlling information in associated with the former part recording information, and latter reproduction controlling information which is the reproduction controlling information in associated with the latter part recording information to record them in the information recording medium every time when the division timing is designated.

Claims 2-18 (Canceled).